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For: IDENTIFICATION OF A NOVEL
RETROVIRUS ASSOCIATED
WITH PRIMARY SCHLEROSING
CHOLANGITIS AND
AUTOIMMUNE HEPATITIS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 25, 2000, be extended for a period of 1 month from January 25, 2001 to and including February 25, 2001.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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